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MAIN MEETING AND PRIVATE SOVIET DEL COMMENTS

FOR EUR/RPM, EUR/SOV

FROM USDEL CSCE

1. FOLLOWING IS TEXT OF PAPER ON ORGANIZATION OF THE MAIN
MEETING, AS TABLED BY SOVIETS ON JULY 1.

BEGIN TEXT:

OBSERVATIONS BY THE DELEGATION OF THE SOVIET UNION RE-
GARDING THE ORGANIZATION OF WORK AND OTHER MODALITIES FOR
THE HOLDING OF THE BELGRADE MEETING.

FORMS OF WORK:

THE BASIC FORM OF WORK WILL BE PLENARY MEETINGS THROUGH-
OUT THE ENTIRE MEETING.

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WORKING GROUPS MAY BE ESTABLISHED AS NECESSARY FOR THOSE
CONCRETE QUESTIONS ON WHICH IT IS AGREED, IN THE PLENARY,
THAT RECOMMENDATIONS SHALL BE PREPARED. SUCH WORKING
GROUPS WILL HAVE THE TASK OF HARMONIZING THE VARIOUS
TEXTS ON PARTICULAR QUESTIONS OR GROUPS OF QUESTIONS IN
PARALLEL WITH THE PLENARY MEETINGS. AS AND WHEN THEY
COMPLETE THE TASKS ASSIGNED TO THEM BY THE PLENARY,

THESE GROUPS WILL TERMINATE THEIR WORK.

THE RULES OF PROCEDURE OF THE CONFERENCE ON SECURITY AND CO-OPERATION IN EUROPE WILL ALSO APPLY, (BEGIN UNDERSCORE) MUTATIS MUTANDIS (END UNDERSCORE), TO THE BELGRADE MEETING.

ORDER OF WORK IN CLOSED MEETINGS;

WORK IN PLENARY MEETINGS ON ITEMS... OF THE AGENDA IN THE CONTEXT OF THE ENTIRE SUBJECT MATTER OF THE FINAL ACT.

AT THE SAME TIME, THE WORKING GROUPS WILL BEGIN TO FUNCTION.

WORK IN PLENARY MEETINGS ON ITEM... OF THE AGENDA (REGARDING THE DEFINITION OF THE APPROPRIATE MODALITIES FOR THE HOLDING OF OTHER MEETINGS WHICH COULD INCLUDE FURTHER SIMILAR MEETINGS AND THE POSSIBILITY OF A NEW CONFERENCE).

THE WORKING GROUPS WILL CONTINUE TO FUNCTION.
DRAFTING AND ADOPTION OF A FINAL DOCUMENT.
END TEXT.

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2. IN PRIVATE CONVERSATION WITH MEMBER OF U.S. DEL,
SECOND RANKING MEMBER OF SOVIET DEL (KONDRASHOV) GAVE
FURTHER SPECIFICS ON SOVIET DECISIONS AND ATTITUDES.
(A) AGENDA: KONDRASHOV CONFIRMED THAT SOVIETS COULD
ACCEPT SEPARATION
ON AGENDA OF REVIEW
OF IMPLEMENTATION AND NEW PROPOSALS ITEMS, PROVIDED
THERE WERE NO NUMBERS, LETTERS, OR TICKS TO HIGHLIGHT
THIS SEPARATION.
(B) COMMITTEES: KONDRASHOV REITERATED THAT SOVIETS
CAN ACCEPT ESTABLISHING IN ADVANCE FOUR WORKING BODIES
(THEY DO NOT LIKE THE TERM COMMITTEES) ON THE THREE
CSCE BASKETS PLUS THE MEDITERRANEAN, BUT HAVE IN MIND
SOME ARRANGEMENT UNDER WHICH ADDITIONAL AD HOC GROUPS
WOULD BE ESTABLISHED BY THE PLENARY DURING THE MAIN
MEETING TO DEAL WITH INDIVIDUAL NEW PROPOSALS
WHICH THE PLENARY AGREED WAS APPROPRIATE FOR
NEGOTIATION. COMMENT: WHILE ESTABLISHMENT OF FOUR
WORKING BODIES COINCIDES WITH OUR OWN PREFERENCES, THE
PROVISION ON AD HOC GROUPS WOULD MAKE IT POSSIBLE FOR
SOVIETS TO BLOCK CONSIDERATION OF NEW PROPOSALS THEY DO
NOT LIKE. END COMMENT.

(C) DURATION: U.S. REP ARGUED THAT SOVIETS ALSO HAD AN INTEREST IN HAVING A CONCLUDING DOCUMENT, WHICH WOULD NECESSARILY REQUIRE CONSENSUS APPROVAL. THUS, CONSENSUS WOULD IN ANY EVENT BE REQUIRED TO CLOSE. KONDRASHOV AGREED THIS WAS SO, AND ALSO THOUGHT A TARGET DURATION WAS APPROPRIATE, BUT EXPLAINED THAT SOVIETS WOULD NEVERTHELESS INSIST ON ONLY A LIMITED EXTENSION PERIOD TO FINALIZE DOCUMENT AND A FINAL CUTOFF DATE.

(D) GENERAL INSTRUCTIONS: KONDRASHOV SAID SOVIET INSTRUCTIONS FOR BOTH MEETINGS WERE TO MATCH APPROACH AND TONE OF U.S. DELEGATION. IF WE WERE TOUGH, THEY WOULD BE EQUALLY TOUGH; IF WE WERE MODERATE, THEY WOULD BE MODERATE. EVERYTHING, HE SAID, WILL DEPEND ON THE TONE OF U.S. STATEMENTS. SIMILARLY, SOVIETS WOULD MATCH
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OUR DELEGATION BY INCLUDING MEMBERS OF SUPREME SOVIET IS U.S. INCLUDES CONGRESSMEN IN DELEGATION TO MAIN MEETING.
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